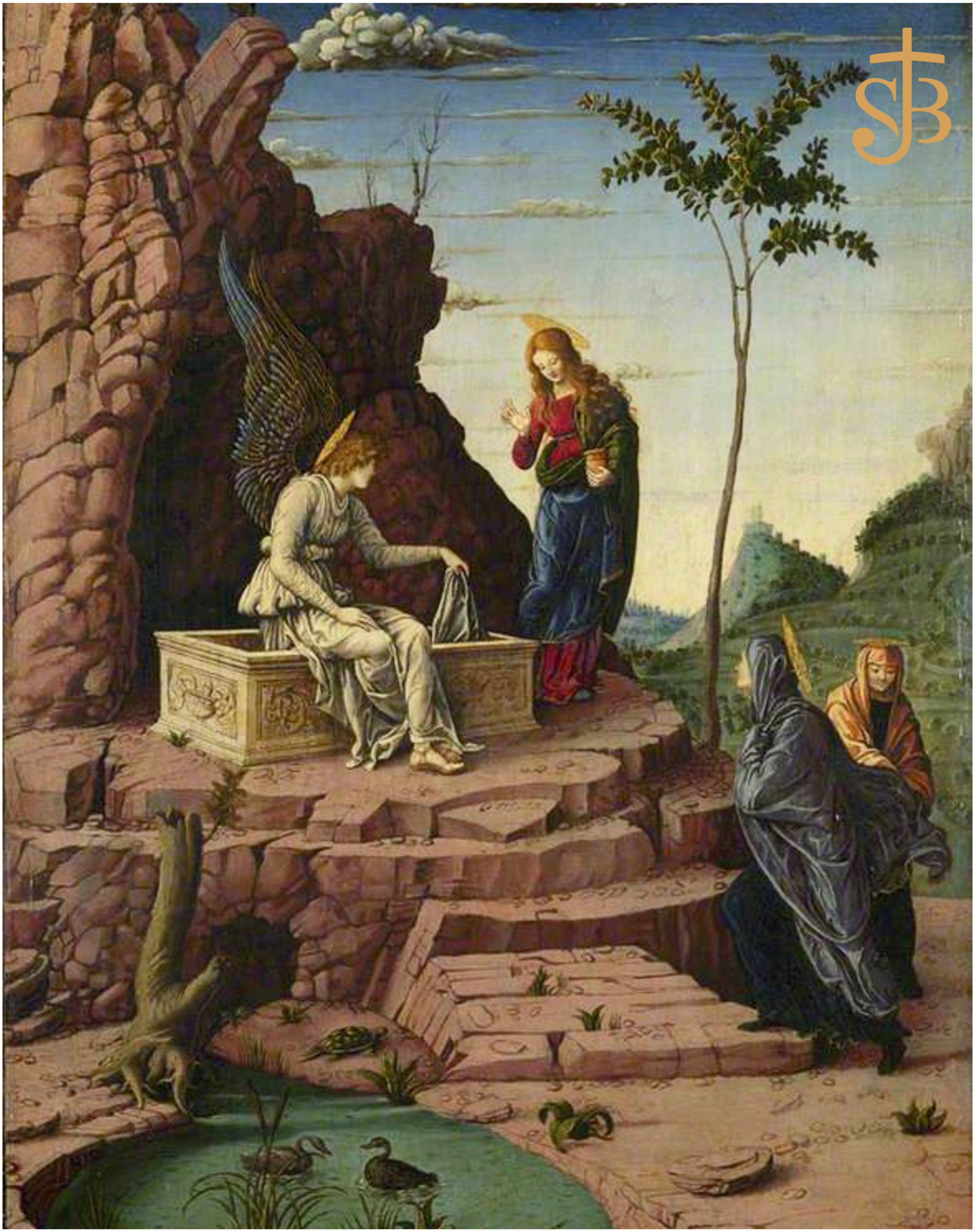

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APRIL 12, 2026 | SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY | ARTIST: ANDREA MANTEGNA

FROM OUR PRIESTS

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I pray that you are enjoying and celebrating well the Easter season; with all that God has done for us, it is good that we take time to rejoice. Today, Divine Mercy Sunday, we take time in a special way to rejoice in God's gift of mercy, and we are called to place our trust more firmly in God's desire to forgive us. We hear about this in Psalm 103: "He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us." And, in what is probably one of the most incredible verses of the Bible, Hebrews 8:12 tells us that God does not even remember the sins of His people. This is because, once we have confessed and repented of our sins, He will never call them to mind again. We know that there can be temporal consequences for our sins, and God punishes those whom He has chosen when they go astray, but that is so that we can turn back to Him and be separated from our sins. There will come a time when He will no longer remember them, and we are able to live a new life close to Him—a life that is not defined by past mistakes and failings. Divine Mercy Sunday is a day to remember that our sins are like a drop in the ocean of God's mercy. Celebrate the feast of the Divine love and mercy of God on April 12th at St. Joseph, Whittaker Rd. Prayer, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and confessions will be held from 2:30 to 4:45 PM.

Welcome to the Church – Congratulations to all those who joined the Church at the Easter Vigil! What a gift each one of you is to the Body of Christ and to SJB Parish; thank you for the witness of giving your lives to Jesus.

Healing the Whole Person – Begins this Tuesday, April 14th. We still have room for last-minute sign-ups!

God Bless You,

Fr. Dan

MASS TIMES

Monday	12:15 PM
Tuesday	6:00 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM
Thursday	8:00 AM
Friday	12:15 PM
Saturday	8:00 AM
	5:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM
	11:00 AM

9:00 AM Mass Livestreamed here.

Recitation of the Rosary is held after daily Mass, Wednesday through Saturday.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

In the Adoration Chapel

Monday 11:00 AM-12:00 PM
Tuesday 9:00 AM-5:45 PM
Wednesday 9:00 AM-9:00 PM
Friday 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

First Friday of the Month
Friday, 1:00 PM through
Saturday, 7:45 AM

CONFESSION

Monday	11:00 AM
Tuesday	6:30 PM
Friday	11:00 AM
Saturday	3:30 PM

WE EXIST TO FORM
A COMMUNITY OF SPIRIT-FILLED
MISSIONARY DISCIPLES OF JESUS

Join us this Tuesday!

ENCOUNTER THE RISEN CHRIST THIS EASTER SEASON AND RECEIVE HIS HEALING AND NEW LIFE!

WHAT IS IT:
Healing the Whole Person is an 8-week series from the *John Paul II Healing Center* that invites you to explore the human heart, the wounds we carry, and the healing Christ desires to bring. Through video teachings from Dr. Bob Schuchts and Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, you'll be guided in reflection and prayer to receive Christ's healing love in your life.

WHEN IS IT:
Tuesday Evenings, April 14 - June 2
7:00–9:00 PM

WHO'S IT FOR:
For anyone desiring wholeness, freedom and an encounter with a loving Creator. Those who have participated in previous sessions are very welcome to return and go deeper in their relationship with Christ.

SCAN TO REGISTER:

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER!

Our Parish is looking to fill two open positions. Please review the job descriptions, consider applying, or pass them along to someone who may be a good fit.

- **PART-TIME BOOKKEEPER**
- **MEN'S CAMPUS MINISTRY COORDINATOR**

Most importantly, please pray that the Lord provides the right candidates for these roles.

APPLY HERE

SJ Beat

Ongoing opportunities for prayer, formation, and community at SJB. Invite a friend and dive deeper into discipleship!

WORSHIP NIGHT

FRIDAY, APRIL 17TH
6:30 PM
in the sanctuary

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH
after the 8 AM Mass
downstairs in the PLC

MAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

FRIDAY, MAY 1ST, 5PM TO
SATURDAY, MAY 2ND, 7:45AM
in the Adoration Chapel

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP

HOLY BREWS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH
7:00 PM
Ypsi Alehouse
124 Pearl St #100

MEN'S MINISTRY MORNINIGS

EVERY SATURDAY
6:00 AM
downstairs in the PLC

Join us for fraternity and fellowship every week!

DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

"What we GIVE is what we have FROM the Lord" 1 Chronicles 29:14

Please scan the QR code or visit www.dioceseoflansing.org/appeal to make a life-changing gift to DSA today!

YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP

At St. John the Baptist, we partner with families to intentionally form youth into joyful missionary disciples. We walk with families and youth in their discipleship journey, offering meaningful opportunities to grow in their faith and belong to a Christ-centered community.

Sign up for our email list to stay up to date on Youth Discipleship Opportunities including Family Faith Formation, Wildfire - Middle School Ministry, and High School Ministry.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO JOIN THE EMAIL LIST.

FOOD PANTRY

Through our Food Pantry, St. John the Baptist serves neighbors in need while inviting parishioners to live out Christ's call to love and serve others. Join us in this mission by volunteering, especially if you are bilingual (Spanish-speaking), or by spreading the word to those in need.

FOOD PANTRY HOURS
Thursdays from 6:00–7:30 PM.
Hours may vary during holidays.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO VOLUNTEER & LEARN MORE.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

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PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Join us today, after the 9:00 and 11:00 AM Masses for a parish Pancake Breakfast, in place of Coffee and Donuts. Enjoy pancakes, sausage, coffee, and juice while spending time in fellowship with our community. There is no charge; freewill donations are welcome. Hosted by the SJB Knights of Columbus.

SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH
AFTER THE 9 AM & 11 AM MASSES
DOWNSTAIRS IN THE PLC

SJB SPRING GROUNDS CLEAN-UP

Join us for our SJB Spring Grounds Clean-Up on Saturday, April 25, following the 8:00 AM Mass. We'll be working together to care for the Marian garden, rectory yard, and general church grounds as we prepare for the season ahead. This is a great opportunity to meet other parishioners and serve the church community.

All are invited to help, including men, women, and families with children. Please bring leaf bags, rakes, pruners, and any other yard tools you may find useful. Email gardenerdoug@yahoo.com with questions.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH
AFTER THE 8 AM MASS

SPRING YARD CLEAN-UP FOR SENIORS WITH CATHOLIC CHARITIES!

Volunteer with us for a meaningful spring morning of service! Spend a few hours raking, trimming, and refreshing the yards of senior neighbors so they can continue aging safely at home. All ages are welcome, but minors need to be supervised by a responsible adult.

APRIL 25 (SIGN UP BY APRIL 18)
MAY 16 (SIGN UP BY MAY 9)

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP!

MEMORIAL MASS FOR PREBORN & STILLBORN CHILDREN

On Saturday, May 2, join others who share your sorrow for a Catholic Mass in recognition of your loss, no matter what the circumstances, no matter how long ago, no matter what your relationship to the child.

- Names read aloud in our Prayers of the Faithful
- Flowers for each small soul
- Memorial Candles
- Anointing and blessing offered after Mass

SATURDAY, MAY 2 AT 9:00 AM
THOMAS THE APOSTLE, ANN ARBOR
RSVP VIA THE QR CODE

PREMIERE BOOK READING OF "LOVE, YOUR LITTLE SAINT IN HEAVEN"

Join us on May 2nd for the premiere book reading of Love, Your Little Saint in Heaven, a tender and faith-filled book for the whole family about finding peace and comfort in the midst of grieving the loss of an (unborn) infant. The author, parishioner Elisabeth Flanagan, and the illustrator, fellow parishioner Anna Njoku, will both be present and available to connect briefly after the reading. Copies will be available for purchase.

SATURDAY, MAY 2 AT 11:00 AM
DOWNSTAIRS IN THE PLC
RSVP VIA THE QR CODE

MARRIAGE & BLENDED FAMILY RETREAT

The Marriage & the Blended Family Retreat is a formational, faith-filled weekend for couples entering or living in a second union, offering practical tools to build a strong, unified family. Rooted in the Smart Stepfamilies program, it addresses the real challenges of blended family life, including past experiences and co-parenting. Engaged and married couples are invited to take part in this supportive and honest environment.

MAY 29-30
ST. MARY MAGDALEN - BRIGHTON
SCAN QR CODE TO
LEARN MORE AND REGISTER

SACRAMENTS

MATRIMONY
Couples should contact the parish office to inquire about Marriage Formation as soon as they are engaged.

BAPTISM
Parents are required to complete preparation and must be registered parishioners for at least three months. Pre-registration is required. Please call the parish office for more information.

LAY MINISTER INFORMATION
If you are interested in serving as a Liturgical Minister or wish to update your schedule preferences, please submit your request by email to schedule@ypsicatholic.org.

REQUESTING MASS INTENTIONS
Call or visit the parish office to ask for a special day. Weekday and weekend Masses are available. The stipend for a Mass intention is $10. Mass cards are also available.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK
Please call the parish office for more information.

FUNERALS
Please call the parish office for more information.

OFFICE PHONE
734-483-3360

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 13TH
12:15 PM: Intentions of Robert Leece
Requested by Eileen Meyer

TUESDAY, APRIL 14TH
6:00 PM: For the Souls in Purgatory
Requested by KofC 3230

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15TH
8:00 AM: Intentions of Fr. Dan Kogut
Requested by Mary Tillotson

THURSDAY, APRIL 16TH
6:00 PM: For the Redente Children
Requested by Tony & Julie Redente

FRIDAY, APRIL 17TH
3:00 PM: Increase in Vocations

SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH
8:00 AM: Intentions of Bridget Burst
Requested by Eileen Meyer

5:00 PM: † Ronald Lucas
Requested by Elizabeth Lucas

SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH
9:00 AM: † Doreen Binder
Requested by Mickey Ichesco

11 AM: People of the Parish

JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR...

Jake Meyer	Fred Hall
Pfc. Carter Hornbeck	Tom Moffit
Caroline Stramecky	Ben Hunt
Rebecca McKenzie	Peter Wadaga

Please call the parish office if you would like to add a name to the intercessions for healing or for those serving in the armed forces. Names remain on the list for four weeks unless you request an extension.

Our Book of Petitions is also available in the Gathering Space, and these intentions are prayed for at every Mass.

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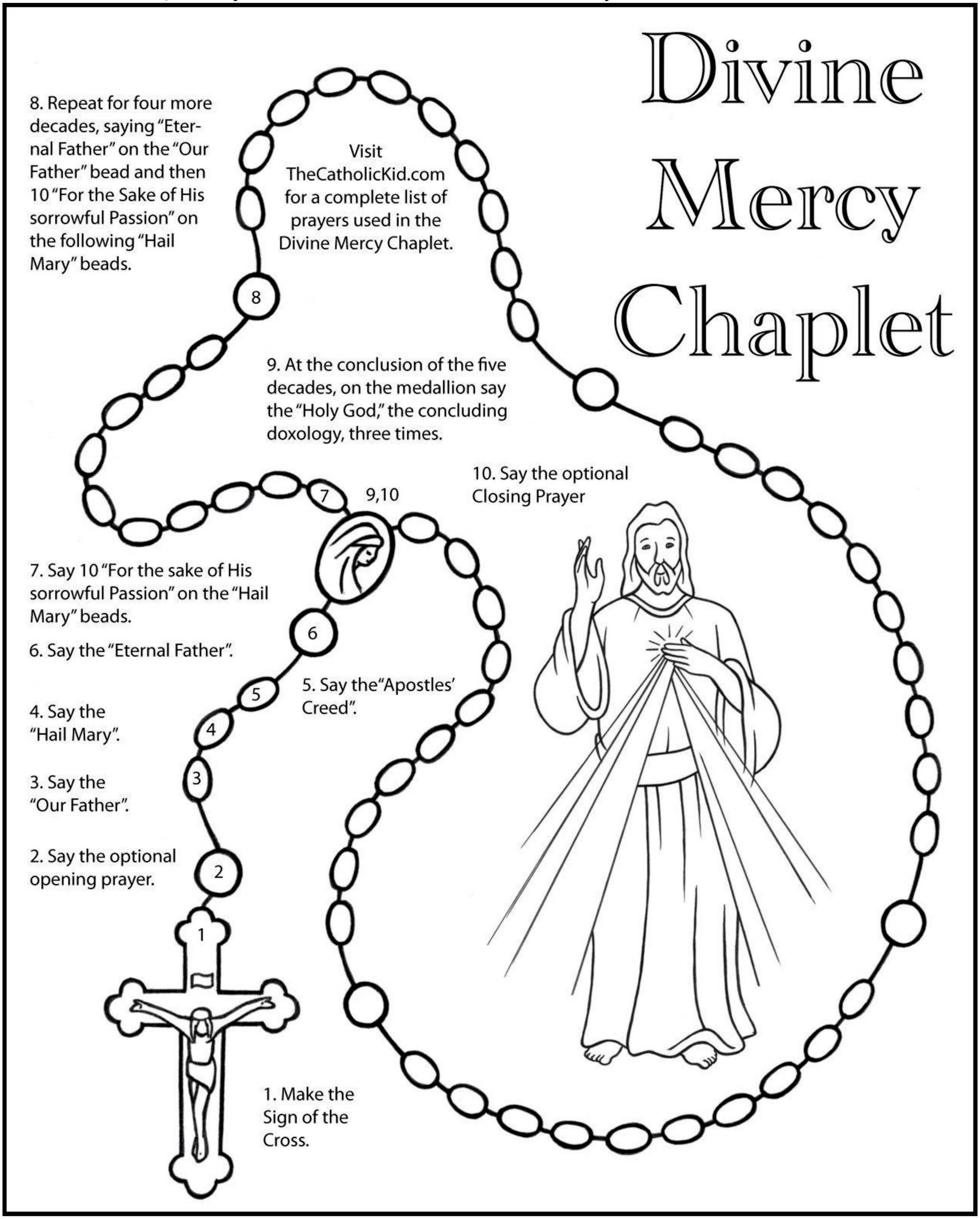
Color & Pray: The Divine Mercy Chaplet



LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE
APRIL 18TH & APRIL 19TH

SATURDAY 5:00 PM	SUNDAY 9:00 AM	SUNDAY 11:00 AM
USHERS		
Jeff Decker	Carolyn Bradley	Christine Sullivan
Lee Michna	Stephen Bradley	John Urbanic
Roger Michna	Shawn Lenhardt	Wendy Winnie
Josh Reszke	Jude Lussier	Vince Zahm
GREETERS		
Need Volunteer	**Need Volunteer**	Shelly Czupinski
Need Volunteer	**Need Volunteer**	Andy Winnie
LECTORS		
Ellen Gibson	Van Vandagriff	Larry Donatelli
Mike Weathers	**Need Volunteer**	David Stolarski
SACRISTAN		
Toni Esteva	Maralee Meyer	Judy Ramirez
ALTAR SERVERS		
Damien Dahl	Kellan Gentit	Gabriel Netsch
Jordan Wells	Mathias Gentit	Jack Netsch
Need Volunteer	**Need Volunteer**	Liam Netsch

LAY MINISTERS ARE NEEDED TO SERVE AT OUR MASSES. IF YOU'D LIKE TO SERVE AND RECEIVE TRAINING, CONTACT SR. MARY AT SRMARY@YPSICATHOLIC.ORG.

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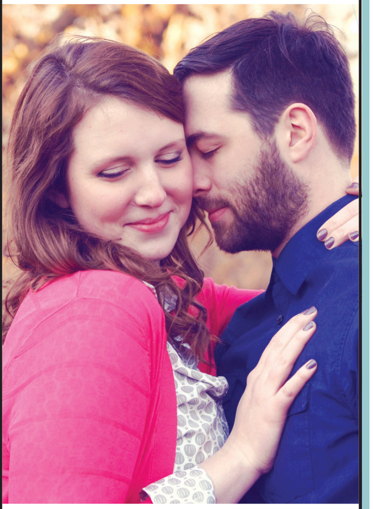
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